

Teaching International Environmental Law in Myanmar Universities



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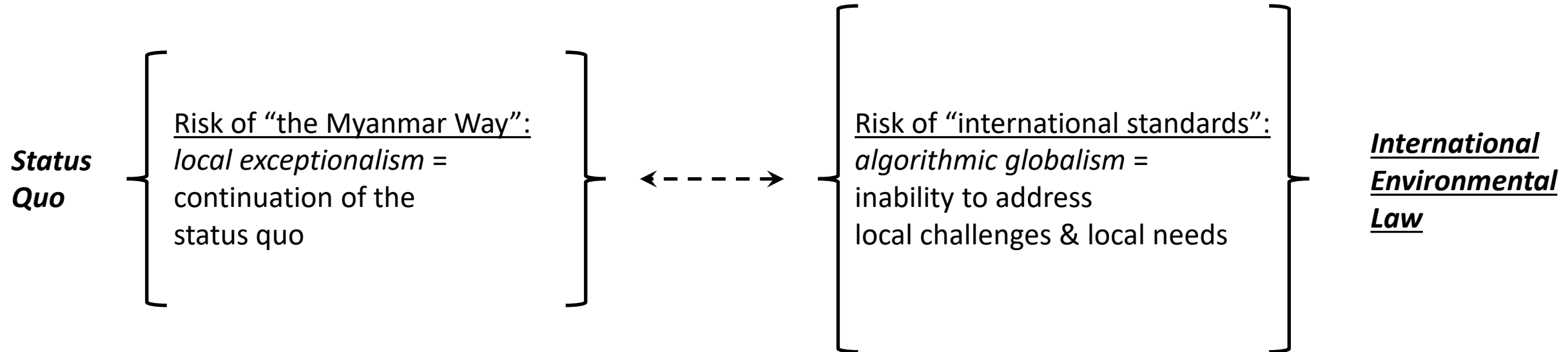


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The Gap Between Exceptionalism & Globalism

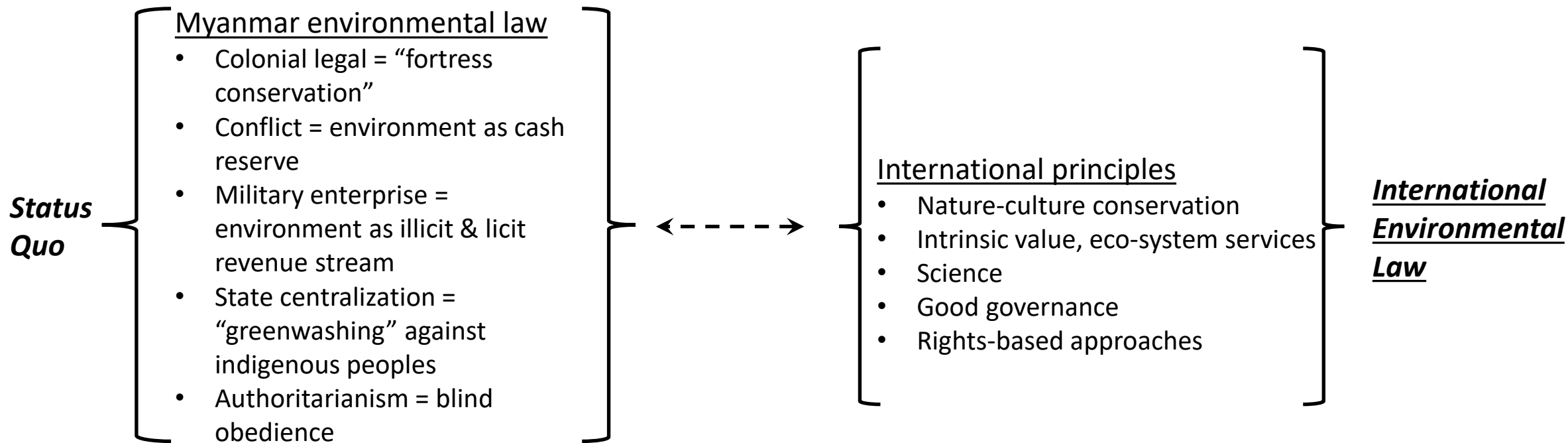


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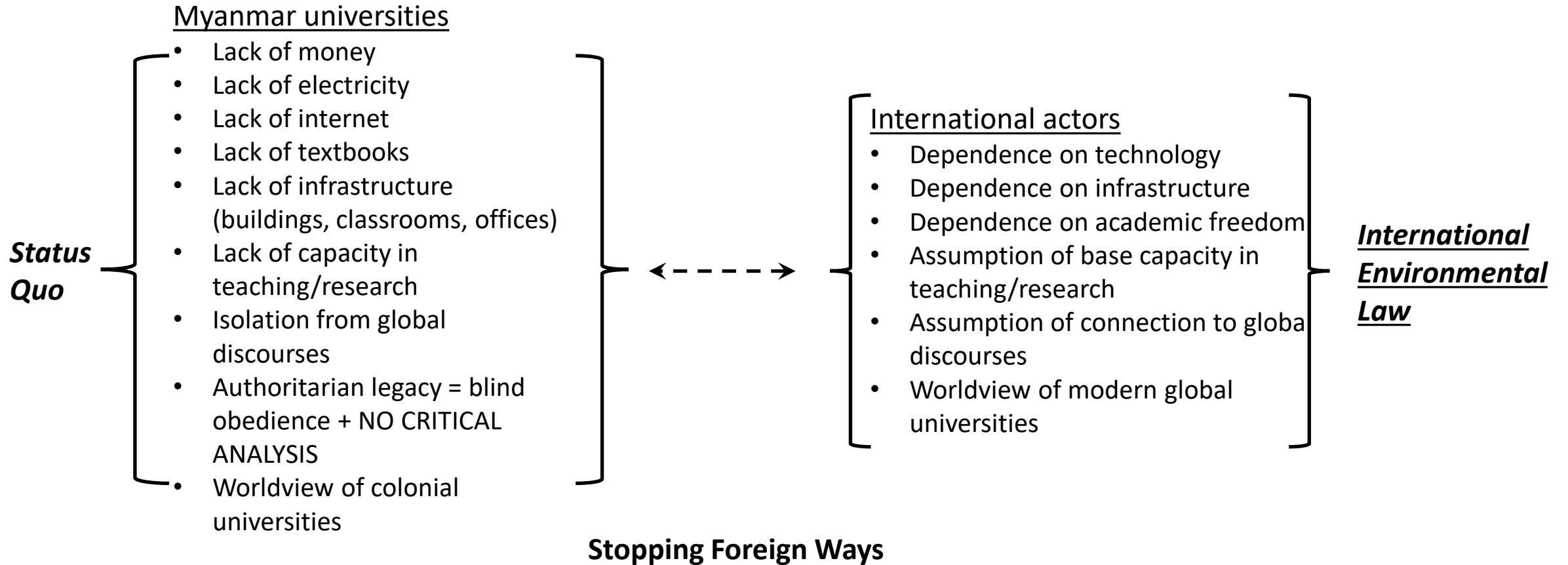
Either way, the result = no propagation of international system (knowledge/skills/values)

Challenging the Status Quo



International Environmental Law is a Threat

Context in Aid Recipients





Context in Aid Delivery

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- Political transition
 - ❖ Instability & uncertainty
 - ❖ Factions/interests
 - ❖ Underdevelopment
 - ❖ Conflict
- Authoritarian legacy
 - ❖ Colonial & military history
 - ❖ Command-and-control
 - ❖ Corruption
 - ❖ Predatory leadership
 - ❖ Surveillance state
 - ❖ Sclerotic bureaucracy
 - ❖ Poor transparency
 - ❖ Poor education
 - ❖ Isolation
- Culture
 - ❖ Patron-client relations
 - ❖ Kinship networks
 - ❖ No communication & no inquiry
 - ❖ Anxiety
 - ❖ Risk aversion to innovation & change
 - ❖ Cultural exceptionalism

*Contextual
Issues of
Local Actors*



*Contextual
Issues of
Aid Providers*

- Donor-driven
- Competition
- Secrecy
- Positivism
- Parachute/drive-by aid
- Short-term project cycles
- Universalism
- Reductionism
- Neo-colonialism
- Paternalism

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